ment of the sensitive border areas of Rajasthan, Punjab and Gujarat which includes Banaskantha District also. The programme was re-oriented during 1987-88 to confine it to the Education Sector only. However, on repeated requests from the concerned State Governments, efforts are being made to revive the programme in its original shape.

Comparative study of criminal procedure code

4124. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any comparative study has been made between our Criminal Procedure code *vis-a-vis* criminal procedure code of the other countries; and

(b) if so, what are the measures proposed to be taken to make our criminal procedure code more efficient to check the crimes particularly against women, children and weaker sections of the society?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) The Law Commission in its various reports dealing with the Code of Criminal Procedure has referred to the relevant provisions of the Criminal Procedure Codes and other related laws of other countries.

(b) A Conference of Chief Ministers was held on 13th November, 1992 at New Delhi to discuss the various issues pertaining to the Administration of Criminal Justice. The Conference inter-alia endorsed a time bound programme for adoption in respect of—

(i) Amendment of Cr. P.C., IPC, and Evidence Act, to remedy the weaknesses and shortcomings found in their operations;

(ii) Exploring possibilities of improvements in procedures to ensure speedy trial in Courts;

(iii) Setting up of Directorates of Prosecution to effective supervise the investigation and prosecution;

(iv) Training of investigative officers, judicial officials and prosecutors at various levels;

(v) Exploring alternative to prison sentences by depenalisation and de-institutionalisation;

(vi) Securing redress to victims of crime; and

(vii) Reduction in overcrowding in jails by streamlining the bail provisions.

The Conference also decided to set up a Steering Group comprising the Union Home Minister, concerned Central Ministers and some Chief Ministers to continuously monitor the implementation of the several major proposals contained in the agenda for the Conference.

The Steering Committee will consider the various proposals and make suggestions for appropriate action by the Government.

Violation of Foreign contribution regulation Act, by Deepalaya Education Society

@4125. SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that voluntary organisation, namely, Deepalaya Education Society is violating Foreign Contribution Regulation Act by making changes in the rules of the society; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken or proposed to be taken against this organisation?

@Previously Unstarred Question, 3256, transferred from 15th December, 1992.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Drug Trafficking by militants

4126. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item published in Hindu dated 19th November, 1992 relating to drug trafficking by militants; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken to prevent the drug trafficking by militants?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir. The Government is aware of the news item.

(b) The Government of Tamil Nadu have informed that sustained action is being taken to eradicate militant activities in the State. This includes setting up of check posts and intensification of patrolling on shore and off shore. The Central Government is providing all possible assistance to the State Government in this regard.

Amount spent on Sri Lankan refugees

4127. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total amount spent on Sri Lankan refugees as on 30th September, 1992;

(b) what is the portion out of this amount which has been spent by Government of India; and

(c) in what manner and from which source the balance of the amount is met?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) From July, 1983 to 30th September, 1992, an amount of Rs. 73.12 Crores has been spent on providing relief facilities and accommodation to the Sri Lanka refugees.

(b) and (c) The entire amount has been spent by the Government of India. The State Government are the implementing agencies and the entire expenditure is being borne by the Government of India.

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4128. **चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह** : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) देश में साम्प्रदायिक दंगों के शिकार परिवारों के बच्चों की सहायता के लिए राष्ट्रीय सौहार्द निधि में अब तक कुल कितनी धनराशि एकत्रित की गयी है; और

(ख) साम्प्रदायिक दंगों से ग्रस्त क्षेत्रों में इस धनराशि में से अब तक कितनी राशि व्यय की गई है?

संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम. एम. जकब) : (क) राष्ट्रीय साम्प्रदायिक सौहार्द फाउन्डेशन ने 7,32,31,631/- रु० एकत्र किए। राष्ट्रीय एमिटी फंड नामक कोई संगठन नहीं है।

(ख) 1,86,975/- रु० स्वीकृत किए गए और 62,325/- रु० वितरित किए गए।